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Applicant : Ernst Peter Strecker

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED PROSECUTION AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection of May 28, 2008, for which a response is due on or before August 28, 2008, with no extension of time, Applicants submit the following response and respectfully request reconsideration.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.